

ANOTHER TANGLE IN THE COURTS OF THE DISTRICT

Heretofore the six judges of the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia have been assigned at the beginning of each year by the Chief Justice to hold Circuit or Equity or Criminal Court. There being six judges, there have been two holding Circuit, two holding Equity, two holding Criminal Courts, designated as court numbers one and two, respectively.

There has never been enough criminal business to occupy two criminal courts continuously and it has been the custom to call and use Criminal Court No. 2 as an accommodation or emergency court, and try in it criminal cases and civil cases.

It has been usual also to try in the same court nearly all the civil cases and the cases appealed from justices of the peace. During January and so far in February this year, the Criminal Court No. 2 has been occupied all the time except in one instance in trying civil cases, will cases, and appeals from justices of the peace.

Member of the Bar Points Out a Conflict Between Practice and Code.

mis-trial, in a will case have on the rights of parties who claim real estate mentioned in such will?"

Declared Mere Arbitration.

Speaking of the trials lately held by justices which the Court of Appeals held were not just, he said: "It is held by well-informed lawyers that as same was only done by consent of parties it amounted to a mere arbitration with one of the parties presiding and the case left to the two men."

"If this be true, of course the justice has no right to rule on matters of law or procedure and exceptions from his rulings will not be ground for appeal. The fact that this agreed arbitration before twelve men does not carry any right to record the proceedings in the records of the Supreme Court of the District and therefore cannot be any record in any proper sense of the term as such are known for the purposes of appeal."

Validity of Agreement.

"It is difficult to understand how parties to a law suit can, by agreement that twelve men are a jury, supply want of legislation and thereby substitute such agreement for a law of Congress or rather for a law that Congress did not make. Also that such agreement can possibly give jurisdiction to a court or authority to its clerk to record proceedings had under such agreement in the records of the court."

"It is to part due to this view of the situation that the attorneys for corporations have refused to proceed with cases by such agreements."

Reading of the Code.

ANTI-SMOKE LAW VIOLATIONS.

Fines Imposed Despite Plans That Ordinance Is Inapplicable.

Mr. John F. Swope, vice president of the Washington Loan and Trust Company, was in the Police Court yesterday as defendant in behalf of that company charged with violating the smoke law. A fine of \$20 was imposed in each case and was promptly paid.

Mr. John B. Lerner appeared as counsel for the company. He insisted that the very best appliances for overcoming the nuisance of black smoke from the Loan and Trust building were employed, but that it was impossible to avoid the smoke. Mr. Oliver F. Bailey, representing himself and Mr. John F. Murrell, proprietors of the Washington Wood Working Company, was fined \$20 on two charges of disobeying the ordinance.

MRS. FAUNCE NOT ALARMED.

Does Not Believe Report That Husband Was Lost in Vreck.

Mrs. Chris Faunce, of 501 I Street southwest, is by no means alarmed over the report that her husband, Captain Faunce, of the sloop Albatross, was lost, with his vessel, in the river with the ice. Since then nothing has been heard of him or his boat.

Such accidents are not unusual among river men, however, and it is thought that he has reached some harbor on the Maryland side, where there is no telegraph station, or that he did not consider it necessary to notify his family of his safety.

COMPILING TARIFF MATTER.

Large Force of Clerks Handling Philippine Correspondence.

Under the direction of Capt. Clarence R. Edwards, chief of the Insular Bureau of the War Department, a large and efficient force of clerks has been busily engaged for several days in compiling the official correspondence between the War Department and the authorities in the Philippine Islands, relating to tariff matters. In accordance with a resolution recently passed by the Senate this information is to be sent to Congress. Recently a remark was made by Mr. Culbertson, who is the author of the resolution, that there seemed to be unnecessary delay on the part of the War Department in responding to the call of the Senate for this information.

Considering the fact that the correspondence on this subject is exceedingly voluminous, excellent progress has been made in gathering it together by the Bureau of Insular Affairs.

LIEUT. T. E. SULZER DEAD.

Brother of Congressman Sulzer Expires in the Philippines.

General Corbin yesterday received a cable from General Chaffee, announcing the death at Cebu, Philippine Islands, of Lieut. Thomas E. Sulzer, of the Nineteenth United States Infantry. Lieutenant Sulzer served as a volunteer in Cuba during the Spanish war, and was afterward commissioned in the Regular Army. He was the brother of Representative Sulzer of New York, who received the news of the lieutenant's death yesterday morning from the War Department. Representative Sulzer was the recipient of sympathy from all his colleagues in the House.

The body of the lieutenant has been shipped to New York for burial.

Suspected of Larceny.

Detectives Tysen and Trumbo arrested William Anderson, suspected of larceny at Rockville, Md., last night, and turned the prisoner over to the Maryland authorities. Anderson was captured at the home of relatives, near N and F and a-half Streets southwest. Word was sent to Rockville, and a deputy sheriff came to this city at a late hour and took charge of the prisoner. It is said Anderson is suspected of the theft of several articles from Edward West, a resident of Montgomery county, Md.

Spare Hours Among the Lowly.

The mission for young colored men, established in 1900 at 216 Fourth and a-half Street northwest, having for its object helpfulness by way of suggestions and encouragement to the laboring young men of the city, is continuing its work at 1337 Spruett Street northwest on a broader and more extensive plan in the way of in-structing the young men who reside in the various alleys and courts to attend its meetings.

Lighted Match Causes Small Blaze.

A fire broke out last night in the house 228 B Street southwest owned by Charles Thompson, and occupied by Michael Fitzgerald. The cause of the blaze was the throwing of a lighted match on the floor of an upper room. One of the family, the mother, had little difficulty in putting out the fire, which caused a loss estimated at \$25.

IMPOSTORS WITH BADGES.

Numerous Demands Made for Admission to Hall.

Numerous complaints have been made lately by janitors of halls which are rented for dances and other entertainments of a large number of young men who present themselves whenever anything is going on at the different halls, as either reporters for newspapers, or private detectives, or special fire and police officers.

"As a rule," said the janitor of the National Rifle Armory, "these young impostors walk boldly up to the ticket window with much show and ado, throw back their coat and flash a brightly burnished nickel badge, fastened to their vest near the shoulder, usually inscribed 'Fire and Police,' issued by order of the Commissioners of the District. There are others who carry regular stars inscribed so as to impress the casual observer with their genuineness. It is my opinion that it must be an easy matter to obtain these badges of authority, judging from the number presented here."

"I would suggest," the Chief of Police notified engravers and dealers in badges not to manufacture any sign of authority with the word 'fire,' 'police,' 'detective,' or any other such word, or the use of the star or the badge of any department, without first having obtained the Police Department's permission to do so."

SUCCESS OF ELKS' CARNIVAL.

Great Interest in the Baby Lion Contest and Side Shows.

The rise of the mercury has done much to increase the popularity of the Elks' Carnival, being held at Convention Hall. The crowds have almost doubled in size, and the big hall is thronged with people from the time the doors are thrown open in the afternoon until the closing hour at night. And everyone seems to be bent on having a thoroughly good time.

New attractions are constantly being added to the already long list of excellent amusements, and the whole affair is getting into its proper running order. Fun is afforded to the thousands of visitors without the least effort on their part to seek it.

The policy of the Elks seems undoubtedly to be to provide everyone with a good time. As the majority of the side shows may be visited without extra charge, the crowds wander at will through the hall, munch peanuts or candy, and laugh to their heart's content.

The voting contest to elect the names of the baby lions in the trained animal exhibit is still a matter of very great interest to the patrons. From the first it has been evident that the crowd displayed a fondness for the name of Admiral Schley, and in all probability the largest of the young lions will receive that title.

COMPULSORY FREE TRANSFERS.

Bill Introduced Making System Obligatory on District Roads.

By request Representative Allen of Maine yesterday introduced the bill drawn by the Mount Pleasant Citizens' Association requiring the street railroads to furnish free transfers to passengers at the points of intersection and conjunction of street railway lines in the District at which persons must transfer from one line to another in order to travel by the most direct route to their place of destination. The issue of transfers is to be compulsory, and a violation of the act subjects the offending street railway company to a fine of \$25 for each and every day it thus offends.

HALL FOR INAUGURAL BALL.

Washington Art Society Ready to Take the Initiative.

Mr. Hobart Nichols, secretary of the Society of Washington Artists, has forwarded to the Commissioners a copy of a circular letter inviting the delegates to be appointed to attend a meeting to make arrangements for a united plan of action looking to an appropriation for a building for the inaugural ball and conventions. The meeting will be held on the afternoon of February 15 in the Cosmos Club.

WEATHER INDICATIONS.

Fair and colder tonight. Saturday fair, continued cold, with fresh west winds.

TEMPERATURE.

Temperature at 5 a. m. 24
Temperature at 12 noon. 40
Temperature at 1:30 p. m. 41

THE SUN AND THE MOON.

Sun rose. 7:01 A. M. [Sun sets. 5:27 P. M.]
Moon rises. 5:06 A. M. [Moon sets.]

THE TIDE TABLE.

Low tide. 5:47 A. M. and 6:02 P. M.
High tide. 12:14 P. M.

STREET LIGHTING.

Lamps lit today. 4:47 P. M.
Lamps out tomorrow. 6:09 A. M.

AMUSEMENTS.

National—"The Great Unknown," evening.
Columbia—"The Gambler's Daughter," evening.
Columbia—"The Jolly Grass Widows Burlesque," afternoon and evening.
Bijou—"Burlesque and vaudeville," afternoon and evening.
Convention Hall—"Elks' Midwinter Carnival," afternoon and evening.

Downtown Temperature.

The temperatures registered by the standard thermometer at House & Herndon's today were: 9 a. m., 28 degrees; 12 m., 29; 1:30 p. m., 41.

\$1.25 to Baltimore and Return \$1.25 Via Pennsylvania Railroad.
Tickets on sale Saturday and Sunday, February 8 and 9, good to return until Monday, February 10. All trains except Congressional Limited.

Norfolk & Washington Steamboat Co.
Delightful trips daily at 6:30 p. m. from foot 7th st. to Old Point Comfort, Norfolk, Virginia Beach, and Newport News. See ad. page 7.

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It's marvelous with what ingenuity Valentines are wrought up to delicate, intricate designs and so fanciful figures; others touched off in delicate colorings. There's every desirable kind here, and they are just as pretty as you may want them—from a penny up to bigger prices.

"Fashions" for February is very attractive and interesting. It's a household magazine, which we consider among the best. Many beautiful short stories, editorial comments, hints on how to dress, all condensed in this beautiful sheet. If you are already a subscriber, "Fashions" awaits your calling. If not, call at the pattern counter, register your name and get a card. Free to everyone.

THE ALMIGHTY ARGUMENT OF PRICE.

When we advertise reduced prices we mean reduced prices on the goods in the store—the higher grades for which this store is so famous also suffer when this state of affairs exists. We back up every statement with performances and not promises. Hence, the quick and cheerful response to any bargain announcement we make. Just now the store is full of money-saving chances.

Items of Interest from Our Famous Suit and Wrap Department.

Women's Near-seal Coats, made of selected skin, handsomely lined with Skinner satin; high collar and revers, with plain or bell sleeves—
each sold for \$25.00—reduced to.....\$25.00
Women's Persian Lamb Coats; the latest nobby shape, elegantly lined. These garments have been our best sellers at \$100.00—reduced to.....\$65.00
Persian Lamb Coats, faced with genuine mink, lined with broad satin; a very elegantly fitting garment, which sold for \$100.00—reduced to.....\$68.00
Women's Walking Skirts, in shades of Oxford, light grey, and brown—made of double-faced good cloth—stitched flounce—a perfect fit—\$6.48
Suit Department—Second floor.

Shopping by Mail.

Out-of-town shoppers can be easily accommodated if they will favor us with their mail orders. Samples sent and orders filled with quickness and despatch. If you buy \$5.00 worth or more the same will be delivered free if within the radius of 100 miles.

Women's Kersey Cloth Coats, Louis XIV style, elegantly lined with Skinner satin; made double breasted, flap pockets, inlaid velvet collar finished with handsome large buttons. A very stylish garment which sold for \$6.98 \$15.00—reduced to.....\$18.50
Velvet Jackets, in Eton and blouse effect—handsomely trimmed in braids and jets, with girdle belt and fancy sash; lined with the best quality satin—which sold for \$20.00—reduced to.....\$18.50
Walking Skirts, made of black Thibet cloth, very fine grade of all-wool material—handsomely tailored—stitched flounce—also a few Blue Homespins among this lot—\$3.50 These are reduced to.....\$3.50

Knit Underwear.

We are offering some great values on several of our bargain tables in odd pieces of Vests, Pants, and Undies, in white, grey, and ecru.

On Bargain Table No. 1 we have an assorted lot which we offer 19c

On Bargain Table No. 2 we have an assorted lot which we offer 25c

On Bargain Table No. 3 we have an assorted lot which we shall sell 39c

On Bargain Table No. 4 we have an assorted lot which we offer 50c

These specials are in Section F, First floor.

More Excellent Values in Silk Waists.

The \$4.50 Kind at \$2.89.

Made of excellent quality Taffeta, made front and back; also tucked sleeves, with fancy, steel collar—the most desirable shades, including black—\$2.89

\$6.50 Kind at \$3.98.

Best quality All-silk Taffeta Waists, made in a large variety of latest effects—in button, bow, and button front styles—all the newest colorings, including black—all \$3.98

The \$7.50 Kind at \$4.98.

These are extremely nobby, made of all-silk taffeta, peau de sole, peau de cygne, and moire—in all the latest 1902 colorings, suitable for street and evening wear—including many new and original designs, in button, bow, front and back—every size—\$4.98

Second floor—Adjoining the Millinery Department.

Wash Day Wants in Our Housefurnishing Dept.

Crockery and Glassware.

Glass Globes, pneumatic effect—special, each.....10c
Jalation Cut-glass Salt and Pepper Shakers—special.....3c
Oil or Vinegar Bottles, family size—special.....10c
Cupholders, royal blue with gold-tipped edges—special.....25c
Half-gallon size Water Pitchers, decorated—special.....19c
Umbrella Stand, in assorted glazes—special.....\$1.59
Decorated Toilet Sets with soap jars—special.....\$1.98
Dinner Sets—combination service—Dinner, Tea and Breakfast—160 pieces—highly decorated—gold lined—special.....\$6.98
Slop Jars, with handles and covers, full size—special.....79c
B. T. Babbit's best Laundry Sops—special.....10c
Cedar Wash Tubs, with electric welded hoops—special at.....59c
Wash Boards—the October brand can be used on both sides—special.....22c
Army and Navy Washing Compound, for every kind of cleaning.....5c
Hardwood Clothes Pins—special per dozen.....1c
Clothes Lines—25-foot length—special.....4c
Myles Pearlina, per package.....32c
Pines, Pott's Flat Irons, in set of 3—highly polished—special, per set.....79c
Shultz's Celebrated Star Soap, per cake.....22c
Ironing Boards—5-foot size, made of clear lumber—special.....32c
1776 Soap Powder per package.....38c
Wash Tubs—galvanized iron, corrugated—special at.....39c

Star Oleine Soap, per cake.....24c

The Challenge Clothes Wringer, has large white rubber rollers—\$1.19 special.....

Soapine, that scours everything—3c white, per package.....

Curtain Stretchers, the never-sag kind—special.....98c

Cameo Starch, per package.....3c

Clothes Hampers, made of full willow—special.....79c

Proctor & Gamble's Oleine Soap, per cake.....48c

Cutting or Sewing Tables, highly varnished with yard measure—special.....98c

Brooke's Standard Crystal, for washing.....32c

Clothes Baskets—strong bottom and handles—special.....39c

Large Bottles of Ammonia—full strength.....4c

Other Household Needs.

Water Filters, made of sanitary stone ware—fitted with natural stone filtering bottom—holding 2 3/33 gallons—special price.....9c

Step Ladders, well braced and made of seasoned lumber; any size; from 15c per dozen—special, per foot.....9c

Galvanized Iron Ash Cans, 20-gallon size—special.....29c

Roasting Pans, with cover; family size; self-basting—special.....98c

Jewel Brand Toilet Paper, perforated—special.....4c

Hardwood Rolling Pins—special.....3c

Oil Heaters—the brightest and best—large centre draft—\$3.45 special.....

Third floor—Housefurnishing Dept.

Toilet Articles of Standard Quality.

Elderdown-covered Water Bottles.....98c

Roger & Gallet's Almond Soap, per cake.....10c

Goodyear Combination Water Bottle and Fountain Syringe, 2-qt. 98c

Elderflower Toilet Soap—large cakes—3c.....10c

25 gross of French Tooth Brushes, 12c and 15c kind, for.....10c

Red Rubber Gloves.....75c

First floor—Main aisle.

Saturday Hosiery Values for Everybody.

Children's Fast-Black and Full Seamless 1-1/2 Ribbed Cotton Hose, double heels and toes; in all sizes—from 5 to 9 1/2. Per pair.....10c

Children's Full-Regular Made Black Cotton Hose; double heels, heels, and toes; 2 styles rib; all sizes from 6 to 10-1/2, per pair.....19c

First floor—Section E.

Women's fine Imported Cotton Hose, finished with hand-embroidered silk fronts. They are full regular made. Three pairs for \$1.00, or per 35c pair.....

Women's Fast-Black Piece-lined Cotton Hose, silky fleeced—which we have never sold for less than 39c 20c-per pair.....



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